IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRALEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

WOOLEY, et al

Examiner:

YOUNG, M. P.

Serial Number:

09/955,657

Art Unit:

1615

Filing Date:

September 18, 2001)

For:

MEDICAL COMPOSITIONS, DRESSINGS & METHODS FOR

CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAIL

TREATING MICROBIAL INFECTIONS OF SKIN LESIONS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Box: Amendments Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above case are the following documents:

Response to December 18, 2002 Office Action

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner For Patents

Box: Amendments Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

A check in payment of the fee is attached.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims after Amend.	Highest Prev. Paid For	Extra	Rate SE/LE	Additional Fee	
Total Claims	54	- 20	= 34	X \$9/\$18	= \$306.00	
Indep Claims	5	- 3	= 2	X \$42\$84	= \$84.00	
			Total Additiona	l Fee for this Amen	$\mathbf{dment} = \$390.0$	

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Amendment Fee of \$____.00 to our Deposit Account No. **09-0528**.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. <u>09-0528</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

3/7/2003

Date

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 111

Assistant Commissioner For Patents

of Skin Lesions

Box Non-Fee Amendment

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2002, please amend the subject application as follows. Claims 1-22 are pending in the above-referenced application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claim 17 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend and enter Claims 1 and 2 as follows:

1.(Amended) A method of inhibiting proliferation of a microbial population of a skin injury or surface lesion of a human or animal patient, the method comprising contacting the skin injury or the surface lesion with an antimicrobial composition, wherein the antimicrobial composition comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable antimicrobial agent, a pharmaceutically acceptable chelating agent, a pharmaceutically acceptable pH buffering agent, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, and wherein the concentrations of the chelating agent and the antimicrobial agent are

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